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Bullet meant for dog hits woman as authorities serve warrant at SE Houston home

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Houston Police officers investigate the scene of an officer involved shooting on the 7700 block of Greenstone Street Thursday, Jan. 10, 2019, in Houston.

A woman was injured Thursday morning when authorities shot at a dog who lunged at them while they were serving a warrant in southeast Houston, police said.

The shooting happened about 8 a.m. in the 7700 block of Greenstone, near the Gulf Freeway.

The FBI went to the home to arrest a man wanted on drug charges and assault on a federal agent, for allegedly releasing a dog.

Officers assisting FBI arrived, saw a man standing with a dog and asked him to put the dog up, said HPD

Executive Assistant Chief Troy Finner. The man put the dog away, possibly inside the house.

As they were arresting the man, a 22-year-old woman came outside and the dog charged at the officers.

A four-year veteran fired several shots at the dog, and either shrapnel or fragments from the ground hit the woman in the arm, officials said, correcting earlier reports that the woman purposefully released the animal on police.

It's unknown at this time whether the woman released the dog.

The woman was taken to the hospital with non-life threatening injuries, and the original suspect is in custody. Their relationship is unknown.

The dog, who was hit by the gunfire, is alive. Animal control was en route. An HPD spokesperson originally described the dog as an aggressive German Shepherd.

The Harris County District Attorney's Office and HPD's Special Investigations Unit will investigate the officer-involved shooting.

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